

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 AF-06 ISO-00 PM-04 TRSE-00 COME-00 EB-07

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FM AMEMBASSY LOME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9536

INFO AMEMBASSY COTONOU

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILL, TO

SUBJECT: LAWS GOVERNING FIREARM IMPORTATION

REF: STATE 177789

FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS POSED  
REFTEL:

A) GOT REQUIRES THREE TYPES OF LICENSES FOR IMPORTATION  
OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION.

B) ALL LICENSES ARE ISSUED BY MININTERIOR AND INCLUDE:

1) LICENSE TO IMPORT FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION (TO PLACE  
ORDER);

2) LICENSE TO INTRODUCE FIREARMS (PERMIS D'INTRODUCTION)  
(TO TAKE DELIVERY);

3) LICENSE TO POSSESS FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION (PERMIS DE DETEN-  
TION) (TO MAINTAIN POSSESSION).

C) ELIGIBILITY OF PURCHASER IS ENTIRELY AT DISCRETION  
OF MININTERIOR AFTER PRIVATE INVESTIGATION OR INQUIRIES MADE.

D) CONTROL: OWNERS MUST PRODUCE ALL THESE LICENSES UPON  
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DEMAND OF GOT AUTHORITIES.

E) THERE ARE NO PRIVATE WHOLESALE OR RETAIL GUNDEALERS  
IN TOGO; HOWEVER, FIRMS MAY PURCHASE AND SELL AMMUNITION  
WHICH IS KEPT BY GOT. LATTER MAINTAINS RECORDS ON STOCKS  
ORDERED AND SOLD.  
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## Message Attributes

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